STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA ) ( ) COUNTY OF RICHLAND )	BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS CO	OMMISSION	
IN THE MATTER OF: ) COMPLAINT C2012-084 )			ゼリ
State Ethics Commission, Complainant;	) ) ) DECISION AND ORDER	OISSIL FIHII FIAC	JUNE OF THE
Vs. Angel Jones, Respondent.	) ) ) )	27 2. 3 38	

This matter comes before the State Ethics Commission by virtue of a complaint filed by the Commission on February 23, 2012. On May 16, 2012, pursuant to S. C. Code Ann. § 8-13-320(10)(i)(Supp. 2011) the State Ethics Commission reviewed the above-captioned complaint charging the Respondent, Angel Jones, with a violation of Section 8-13-1110.

Present at the meeting were Commission Members Phillip Florence, Jr., Chair, E. Kay Biermann Brohl, Priscilla L. Tanner, JB Holeman, Edward E. Duryea, George Carlton Manly, Jonathan H. Burnett and Richard H. Fitzgerald. Also present were the Commission's Executive Director, Herbert R. Hayden, Jr., and his immediate staff. The Commission found probable cause to warrant an evidentiary hearing.

## **FINDINGS OF FACTS**

Having carefully reviewed the evidence presented, the Commission finds as fact

- 1. In 2010 the Respondent, Angel Jones, was a member of Charleston County School District Nine Board and she was required to file an annual Statement of Economic Interests form (SEI) prior to April 15th of each year.
  - 2. Respondent stated she resigned from the Charleston County School Board in

November 2008 and moved to North Carolina. The School Board did not receive a letter of resignation.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based upon the Findings of Fact, the Commission concludes, as a matter of law:

- 1. During all times relevant, the Respondent, Angel Jones, was a public official, as defined by Section 8-13-100(27).
- 2. The State Ethics Commission has personal and subject matter jurisdiction
- 3. Sections 8 13 1110 and 8-13-1140 provides that certain public officials shall file a Statement of Economic Interests at the time of assuming the duties of the position and annually thereafter prior to April 15.
  - 4. Section 8-13-320(10)(i) provides in part:
    - (10) to conduct its investigation, inquiries, and hearings in this manner:
    - (i) . . . . If the Commission finds probable cause to believe that a violation of this chapter has occurred, the Commission may waive further proceedings if the respondent takes action to remedy or correct the alleged violation.

## **DECISION**

Based upon Respondent Angel Jones's resignation, move out of state and in accordance with Section 8-13-320(10)(i), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, the State Ethics Commission waives further proceedings.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS \_\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

**CHAIRMAN** 

COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA